OPINION 1881

Stilpon Loew, 1859 (Insecta, Diptera): conserved

Keywords. Nomenclature; taxonomy; Diptera; *Agatachys*; *Stilpon*.

Ruling

(1) Under the plenary powers the name *Agatachys* Meigen, 1830 is hereby suppressed for the purposes of the Principle of Priority but not for those of the Principle of Homonymy.

(2) The name *Stilpon* Loew, 1859 (gender: masculine), type species by subsequent designation by Loew (1864) *Tachydromia graminum* Fallén, 1815, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology.

(3) The name *graminum* Fallén, 1815, as published in the binomen *Tachydromia graminum* (specific name of the type species of *Stilpon* Loew, 1859), is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology.

(4) The name *Agatachys* Meigen, 1830, as suppressed in (1) above, is hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names in Zoology.

History of Case 2974

An application for the conservation of the name *Stilpon* Loew, 1859 was received from Dr Jeffrey M. Cumming (*Centre for Land and Biological Resources Research, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, C.E.F., Ottawa, Ontario, Canada*) and Dr Neal L. Evenhuis (*J. Linsley Gressitt Center for Research in Entomology, Bishop Museum, Honolulu, Hawaii, U.S.A.*) on 27 March 1995. After correspondence the case was published in BZN **53**: 104–105 (June 1996). Notice of the case was sent to appropriate journals.

Decision of the Commission

On 1 March 1997 the members of the Commission were invited to vote on the proposals published in BZN **53**: 105. At the close of the voting period on 1 June 1997 the votes were as follows:

Affirmative votes — 22: Bock, Brothers, Cocks, Eschmeyer, Heppell, Kabata, Kerzhner, Kraus, Lehtinen, Macpherson, Mahnert, Martins de Souza, Minelli, Nielsen, Nye, Papp, Patterson, Ride, Savage, Schuster, Song, Štys

Negative votes — none.

Bouchet abstained.

No votes were received from Cogger and Dupuis.

Mawatari was on leave of absence.

Original references

The following are the original references to the names placed on Official Lists and an Official Index by the ruling given in the present Opinion:

Agatachys Meigen, 1830, *Systematische Beschreibung der bekannten europäischen zweiflügeligen Insekten*, Theil 6, p. 343.

graminum, *Tachydromia*, Fallén, 1815, *Empidiae Sveciae*, p. 15.

Stilpon Loew, 1859, *Programm der Königlichen Realschule zu Meseritz*, **1859**: 35.

The following is the reference for the designation of *Tachydromia graminum* Fallén, 1815 as the type species of the nominal genus *Stilpon* Loew, 1859:

Loew, H. 1864. *Zeitschrift für Entomologie* (Breslau), **14** (for 1860): 5.